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In re Appln of: Steven V. Leone

Customer Code No.: 26799

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Art Unit: 2681

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Examiner: Unknown

Title: Electronic Article Surveillance Marker Deactivator Using Phase Control Deactivation

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Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

STATUS INQUIRY

Sir:

In reviewing our records, we note that the above-identified application was filed on October 17, 2003 and, to date, the application is still awaiting substantive action. Please advise the status of the application and when Applicant can anticipate action thereon.

Respectfully submitted,

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